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WEEKLY COTTON GRADE AND STAPLE REPORTS FOR SOUTHEASTERN STATES FOR WEEK ENDING OCTOBER 7, 1937

Weekly grade and staple reports for States in the Southeast, issued by the Atlanta office of the Bureau of Agricultural Economics, continue to show, week after week, lower grades than last season. Grades are considerably lower than last season in Georgia, Florida, North Carolina, South Carolina, and Virginia, while in Alabama the grades are only slightly lower than last season.

Based on the proportions of Strict Middling and higher grades classed to date, North Carolina leads other Southeastern States, with 24 percent of its cotton included in these high grades, followed by Alabama with 21 percent; Georgia, 16 percent; South Carolina, 11 percent; Florida, 4 percent; and Virginia, 3 percent.

The reports for each of the Southeastern States show longer average staple lengths for this week than were reported for last week. A trend toward longer staple lengths as the season advances, but toward lower grades, is evident in most of these State reports.